

## ARTHUR MIDDLETON

Browsing Around in Ohio—The Mixed Political Situation in That State—Eight Tickets in the Field—Magnetic Springs and Their Curative Properties.

## Special Correspondence.

**MAGNETIC SPRINGS, O., Oct. 12.**—About one-half of a fortnight ago I came up into central Ohio on business, also to see the lay of the lands geologically and politically. Geologically, I find central Ohio one of the finest sections I ever saw, with its broad and rolling blue grass lands. In fact it is one vast plain of limestone soil, covered with magnificent fields and patches of woodland dotted with cities, towns and villages. The drought in Ohio is almost unprecedented, still there is water in plenty for stock, for it is a section of springs; mineral and other kinds of springs, being more numerous than in the Virginias even. But the pasture fields are bare, nearly all grasses and weeds being dead. Along the railroad sides fires are burning. Pastures are burning, else they have been burned, and the farmer who attempts to harrow and seed his wheat lands kicks up more dust than a prize perch on at a country fair.

On my way I stopped at Columbus, which is not only a city of good size, but well situated and progressive as any town in the state. Here, it seems, is the real center of the Republican campaign committee, the point from which campaign literature is forwarded to all sections, and the field for staff consultations among the leaders. To give some idea of how Ohio politics are mixed, I will first give the names of the different state tickets now certified and in the race, in the following positions, on the ballot, commencing at the left side: Democratic ticket, Republican ticket, Liberty ticket, Prohibition ticket, Populist ticket, Socialist ticket, Labor ticket, Negro Protective ticket, and Gold Democratic ticket; eight in all. I do not know what a "Democratic ticket" means, when it is on the same sheet with a Populist ticket; the two being identical, both being Populists.

Nether do I understand why there should be a Gold Democratic ticket, when all Democrats, when there was a Democratic party, were for gold, and now that the Republicans have taken up Democratic principles, a Gold Democrat is nothing more than a Republican in fact. But it seems that the name only is in the way. But it makes no difference. All true sentiments and principles are as good and sweet under any name. It looks useless, however, for there's nothing in a name of a body politic which contains vital elements of truth.

The Liberty ticket is formed by those who do not believe in liberty. The name is a political, religious and fundamental irony. Its members are anarchists and others who do not believe in the guarantee of this republic, that all men's private and public rights must and shall be protected. It is unbridled license, and not liberty that they want.

The Populist animal that was such an abnormal political animal several years ago, has been paraded about in the political band wagon so often as to be fairly well known. It has grown, and it is high time to pull the fangs whose snapping are guided by an hereditarily vicious and irresponsible brain. It might escape and hurt some stock, or stocks as it thinks.

Of the Socialist Labor ticket I know nothing. Its name implies a social organization, and if education and culture are its aims, long life to it. But is it? I want not.

The Prohibition ticket is always aboard ship, seeming to give the ladies an opportunity to lecture and to fight for some good cause, bless 'em.

The Negro Protective ticket is a brand new one, formed, I judge, in order that the African black bee may lay in a store of winter "sugar"—honey. As Charles F. Armstrong, former well known Democratic, semi-colored lawyer politician of West Virginia, is on the ticket for attorney general, it must be one of his original inventions. He's as great on original inventions as the Cincinnati Enquirer.

Let Ohio look out for that eloquent and melodious voice, inherited from his ancestors. Those who read the Cincinnati Enquirer have no real idea of how politics are now running in Ohio, for its every utterance is deceiving. What the true picture may be, let the Populist ticket in erratic Ohio, no one can predict, to a half certainty, but as it now stands, the Republicans have the least real opposition they have had for years. That big silver jubilee at Springfield was a John R. McLean feeler. McLean wants to go to the senate with as much ardor as a good old Christian mother wants to be with the elect, but he's afraid. He doesn't want to tap his barrel and have nothing to show for it, but a bung hole and defeat. The Springfield free silver jubilee has placed the Populist-Democratic ticket in a bad shape, and its leaders in a quandary. And right now I believe it to be the truth that the Democrats are trying to loose that celebrated hold the man had on the bear, regardless of consequences. They are at sea and without a state organization in fact. Hanna's all right, Bushnell and Foraker likewise. McKinley's administration can not help receiving strong endorsements, as it has been free of errors, and full of wisdom and honor to all the people. This is all true, but no Republican should doubt his battle lance point for fear the foe takes him unaware. Close up the ranks. Let there be no oblique movements, no right abouts and no grounding and stacking of arms until after election day.

Delaware, which is twelve miles from this village, is one of the cleanest, best lying and handsomest little cities in the state. It is a college town of about thirteen thousand inhabitants. It is the center of Ohio Methodism, and Methodism in Ohio is seemingly the church of state. The Ohio Wesleyan church of state. The Ohio Wesleyan university stands at the head of the eastern schools of America. It ranks only twentieth out of the 430 colleges for males and females and the 200 exclusively female schools, and its students number annually fifteen hundred on an average. Governor Atkinson is an alumnus of this college, as are many of Ohio's and other state's great preachers and great men of affairs. There are three very large Methodist churches in the town, and I reason it out by experience and observation that it is a nice town to live in—especially for young ladies. It is a staid, conservative, but solid town, filled with a class of cultured and well-bred people, and I judge from the number of churches a people of unusual piety. Poor college boys, so justly, perhaps, might say poor, suffering Delaware. I think, however, the people miss the pranks of the boys during vacations, and the Gibbons' moon raises casting the shadows of many a happy couple, mayhaps stealing the sweetest of the sweets— forbidden pleasures.

Ohio has many things to be proud of. First, her people. The first settlers were mostly the descendants of the Virginia pioneers and cavaliers of the best families of the colonial worth and of that daring Anglo-Saxon and Scotch-Irish races. The same people who originally settled Virginia first settled Ohio. I like the Ohio people wherever I meet them. They are genuine, whatever else they may be. There are no fancy pillow case shams covering a hard and non-pliable straw pillow among them. The vast scale and humane plans by which she takes care of her poor, her unfortunate, her orphans and her criminals, her insane and epileptics, all her public charges, in a broad, charitable and Christian-like spirit, and not as if she wanted to barely hold their bodies and souls together, but acts as a beneficent parent, with comfort and love. In agricultural and manufacturing pursuits as well as all others she is at the head of the ladder. There is one thing that makes a West Virginian with all his love and pride for his rich young state, while some day, will stand second to none.

feel ashamed, and that is the roads of Ohio. The Magnetic Springs are in Union county, thirty-six miles west of Columbus and twelve miles from Delaware, and Union county stands second in the matter of good and plentiful roads of any county in the state. This is the highest point in the state, the very highest point, some 1,500 feet, being about twenty-five miles northwest of here. It is in this and Marion counties that the waters of the Scioto, which empties into the Ohio river at Portsmouth, and the Sandusky, which empties into Lake Erie, have their heads, and yet there are no mountains. What the Ohioan calls a hill a Virginian of either state would call a knoll or a mound, and the whole county is one big plain. While various mineral waters of all kinds are scattered all over this limestone section, the Magnetic Springs is the most famous in the state. The hotels are open all the year, run upon the plan of a liberal sanitarium. Invalids have the best of attention from Dr. J. W. Irwin, one of the proprietors, who is a graduate of the famous Jefferson Medical college. The water is an iron water, full of magnesia, potash and other medicinal qualities, and is magnetic. A piece of steel or iron left in the water a few days becomes a magnet, and a strong one. The baths also are magnetic, and I have found the proprietors and guests possess the same property. I gathered the analysis of all the springs of the Virginias and I regret that not one compares favorably with the Magnetic. The cures it has wrought in rheumatism, nervousness and stomach troubles are remarkable, but true. It is not a cure-all and is not advertised at all. The village of Magnetic Springs, which is the result of the discovery of the water, is full of neat little homes, broad streets and boarding houses. The Park Hotel Sanitarium, within a few hundred feet of the springs, is well furnished and well kept, heated with hot air and belongs to the company. It is surrounded by a park of eleven acres, a regular paradise for children, grassy, dry, shady and picturesque. Lovers and poets and all others are included with the children, while the driving can not be surpassed.

The strangest thing of all to me is that so far board, bath and treatment one does not have to pay anything. I have washed inside and out in the Virginia resort charges for the same length of time; and if one calls in the resident physician at a Virginia resort of this kind the bill is from \$3 to \$5 a visit to one's room if only two doors from the office, and yet Virginians say that Ohio people are "small." What I say about this resort is for the benefit of the afflicted who need to be directed away from quacks and quacks and try nature's medicine. I hope it will be my pleasure to see this magnetic place again, but I never expect to have the time. Before I drop this subject matter I want to advise the aspiring young politicians of West Virginia, as well as the similar ones from Ohio and other good and efficient aspirants for United States senator, to come over the river, rest under the shade of the trees and drink of this water.

Magnesium is of the greatest value in politics. It takes with the people. It is high time now for some of West Virginia's great men to come down and renew their magnetic force. Foraker never goes anywhere near here without coming and drinking for a few days of the water. Look at Foraker. He's a success. I think it would pay Hanna to run down also. As to Chapman, I believe he is too far gone. As for Cox, Bernard and McLean I cannot say, for I do not know the chemical action of the water upon brass.

## NEURALGIA OF THE HEART

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**MRS. SIDLEY**, of Torrington, Conn., suffered from just such a complication of diseases as the extensive experience and investigations of Dr. Miles have proven, result from impairment of the nervous system. Mr. J. B. Sidley writes Oct. 25, 1895: "My wife was taken sick with neuralgia of the heart, nervous exhaustion and liver trouble. Although attended by two physicians she grew worse, until she was at death's door. I then began giving her Dr. Miles' Restorative Nervine and Dr. Miles' New Heart Cure, and she improved so wonderfully from the first that I at once dismissed the physicians. She now eats and sleeps well and does her own housework. We have recommended your remedies to a great many in our city, and every one has been very much benefited by them."

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## SEPTEMBER SUMMARY

Of the Crop Conditions in West Virginia. Climatic Changes.

The mean temperature of West Virginia during the month of September, 66.4 degrees, was slightly in excess of the normal. The month opened with seasonable temperatures, which continued until the 8th, when a spell of warm weather set in that broke all previous records in almost every section heard from, lasting without a single break until the 15th, when a change to cooler occurred. During this period temperatures of 90 degrees and over were recorded daily, and 102 degrees was reported from Hewitt, Logan county, on the 15th and 16th. During the hot weather the nights were abnormally cool, compensating for the warm days and keeping the average 24-hour temperature down to nearly the normal. From the 15th on, with a few exceptions, the weather continued cool and freezing temperatures and killing frosts were reported from several points on the 15th and 23rd, and light frosts were general from the 15th to the 29th.

The average rainfall for the state during the month, 1.14 inches, showed a marked deficiency, and no section in the state received its normal amount. In most localities the month's rainfall was the smallest ever recorded. Light rains were general throughout the state on the 1st, 3d, 16th and 17th, and light showers occurred over some of the north and northeast counties from the 20th to the 23d, and excepting a few local rains from which no benefit was derived, no appreciable amount fell on any other date. At the close of the month the greater portion of the state was suffering for rain and in many sections a serious drought prevailed.

The weather during the early portion of the month was favorable to the growth of late corn, but owing to the drought later on that crop was seriously injured and in some cases totally destroyed. Buckwheat also suffered and the crop was not expected to come up to the average. Damage from frost was slight and except some fields of late corn and a few patches of sweet potatoes all crops susceptible to injury had been gathered.

At the close of the month creeks, ponds and wells were drying up, and the many days of uninterrupted sunshine had sapped the ground of all its moisture, leaving it dusty and bare. All rivers in the state were at a low stage of water during the entire month and except for a few light draught packets navigation was entirely closed.

The month, as a whole, was a remarkable one in many respects. Considering the unprecedented long period of warm weather and the unusually high temperatures recorded, the amount of rainfall received and the number of absolutely cloudless days, its record will long remain an interesting chapter in the meteorological annals of the state, and the proverbial "olden inhabitant" vainly searches his memory to tell of its equal.

Mean of maxima temperature, 81.9 degrees; mean of minima temperature, 50.9 degrees; mean monthly temperature, 66.4 degrees; highest recorded during the month, 102 degrees at Hewitt, on the 15th and 16th; lowest, 27 degrees, at White Sulphur Springs, on the 17th. Absolute range of temperature, 75 degrees.

Average precipitation for the state, 1.14 inches; greatest monthly precipitation, 4.00 inches at Phillips; least, .02 inches, at Green Sulphur Springs. Prevailing direction of wind, west. Averaging number of clear days, 25; partly cloudy, 6; cloudy, 2; with 0.1 inch or more of rainfall, 2. Thunderstorms or more of rain at various places in the state during the 17th, 18th, 19th, 20th, 23d, 24th, 28th and 29th; killing frosts on the 20th, 23d, 26th, 28th and 29th.

## A Train of Fatalities.

**NEW YORK, Oct. 12.**—A singular train of fatalities in Brooklyn came to a climax to-day. Michael McKusker, a schoolkeeper, died suddenly Sunday night of heart disease. An old-time friend, William Robinson, was so shocked at the news that he took Paris green, killing himself. To-day Robinson's sister went to Andrew Shields, a druggist and upbraided him for having sold the poison to her brother Shields, who was a sufferer from heart disease, became excited and dropped dead.

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## A SAD STORY

Of a Beautiful Girl—Her Waywardness Finally Led to Her Downfall.

**ST. LOUIS, Oct. 13.**—Nellie Norman, the pretty 23-year-old girl who committed suicide here yesterday by taking a dose of carbolic acid, was Nellie Anderson, a former belle of Fresno, Cal., whose father is one of the wealthiest men living there.

The story is a most romantic, and in some respects an unusual one. Several years ago she ran away and married Matt Milvovich, one of her father's gardeners, very much against the wishes of her parents. They went to Stockton, where her father found her. He took the blow as philosophically as possible and set his son-in-law up in business. Two weeks later he heard that his daughter had left her husband and gone east.

It became known afterward from a letter sent by Nellie to her mother that she had gone to Chicago, where she got employment in a cloak house. This she left some time afterward, because of an insult offered by her employer, Miss Nellie then became an artist's model, and as such was in great demand because of her beauty. She posed for one artist, the acceptance of whose mediation over that of other artists undoubtedly superior caused a lot of trouble in the world's fair board. It was while posing for artists that the girl maintained and was ruined. Then she changed her name to Nellie Norman. Boyle, the sculptor, whose work of art on the Transportation building of the world's fair is well remembered, had been searching in vain for a suitable model for one of the figures in his group, "Navigation." He finally selected Nellie "Norman," who became famous as a model. Her Bohemian life, however, was too much for her and in six months the form over which artists had raved was gone and her beauty faded. Becoming sick and discouraged she finally decided to end the struggle by death.

## Will Reply Saturday.

**NEW YORK, Oct. 13.**—A London cable to the Evening Post to-day says: I understand that the British government's reply to Senator Wolcott and the other United States bimetallic commissioners is to be given on Saturday after the cabinet meeting. Meanwhile a memorial to the chancellor of the exchequer, Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, is being extensively signed by bankers, discount houses and merchants, protesting against any action in the interests of silver, especially as to the reopening of the Indian mints until the full sense of parliament can be taken.

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